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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305) Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

Re: OTC Drugs

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly urge you to vote against over-the-counter contraceptives. These drugs are extremely potent, especially for teenagers whose bodies are not yet fully developed. The risk of hypertension is more common in females who take birth control pills. If a person were able to buy these drugs over the counter without a physician first examining them, they could have a stroke if they were to have hypertension. Health risks rise with cigarette smoking and other unhealthy lifestyles.

It is unconscionable to allow the purchase of these drugs without a previous physical examination and full family history.

Very truly yours,

Constance S. Henry

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